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NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND OPPORTUNITY FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN APPLICATION TO MODIFY A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND TIER I OPERATING PERMIT

PROPOSED ACTION: In accordance with IDAPA 58.01.01.209.05.c, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) announces a public comment period and opportunity for a public hearing for Ash Grove Cement Company, located in Inkom, Idaho, under docket No. AQ-0712. The project is for modifications to the kiln dust handling systems, and to increase the amount of kiln dust that can be stored on the plant site. The estimated emissions increase from this project is one ton per year of particulate matter. DEQ proposes to issue Permit to Construct (PTC) No. P-060325 and administratively amend Tier I operating permit No. T1-060305. PTC No. P-060325 modifies and replaces the kiln dust section of Tier II operating permit No. 005-00004.

PUBLIC HEARING OPPORTUNITY: Pursuant to Section 58.01.01.364, opportunity for a public hearing for interested persons to appear and submit written or oral comments may be provided if written requests are submitted to the undersigned on or before April 30, 2007. Hearing requests should include a brief statement explaining why a public hearing on the air quality aspects of the project would be beneficial.

The selected meeting site will be accessible to the physically disabled. Interpreters can be provided upon five days notice for persons with hearing impairments. For arrangements, contact the undersigned at (208) 373-0234. Braille or taped transcripts can be provided after the meeting for persons with visual impairments.

AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS: The application materials, the proposed permit and Statement of Basis are available for public review on DEQ's website at http://www.deq.idaho.gov.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL

QUESTIONS: Anyone may submit written comment regarding the project and proposed action. To be most effective, comments should address air quality considerations and include support materials where available. Comments, requests, and questions regarding the public comment process should be directed to Joan Lechtenberg, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706-1255, joan.lechtenberg@deq.idaho.gov, or (208) 373-0234. Please reference the company name and docket number when sending comments or requesting information. All information regarding this matter, current and future, including the issuance of the final permit and Statement of Basis will be available on DEQ's website. You may elect to sign on to DEQ's list server and receive electronic information automatically at http://www.deq.idaho.gov. If you do not have web access you may review the materials on our website at the DEQ Regional Office located at 444 Hospital Way, #300, Pocatello.

For technical assistance on questions concerning this project or the permitting process, please contact Ken Hanna at (208) 373-0283 or kenneth.hanna@deq.idaho.gov.

All written comments and data concerning this proposal must be directed to and received by the undersigned on or before 5:00 p.m. MDT, May 14, 2007.

DATED this 6th day of April 2007.

Joan Lechtenberg
Air Quality Division